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SUBJECT: CSCE: CONTINUING MANEUVERING ON FOLLOW-UP

REF: A) GENEVA 3542; B) GENEVA 3499

1. NEUTRALS SUPPORTED BY DANES AND TO EXTENT UK, ARE CONTINUING CAMPAIGN TO HAVE SWISS FOLLOW-UP DRAFT (REFTEL B) REPLACE FOUR PRESENT DRAFTS UNDER DISCUSSION AS COMPROMISE DOCUMENT.

2. TO THIS END, NEUTRALS MET WITH USSR LAST WEEK. ACCORDING GDR REP SOVIET INITIAL REACTION WAS NONCOMMITTAL, BECAUSE SWISS DRAFT "DOES NOT GO FAR ENOUGH". SOVIET REP IN WG FOLLOW-UP (PETROVSKY) TOLD US, AT HIS INITIATIVE, THAT SOVIETS WERE "NOT IRREVOCABLY WEDDED TO ANY PARTICULAR PAPER" AND REMAINED "ENTIRELY PRAGMATIC". SPEAKING PERSONALLY, PETROVSKY EVEN DID NOT WHOLLY EXCLUDE POSSIBILITY OF USING DANISH TEXT AS NEGOTIATING BASIS, IF "NECESSARY CHANGES" CAN BE MADE.

3. THE EC-NINE, FOR THEIR PART, REMAIN DEADLOCKED ON ENTIRE ISSUE. FRENCH, SUPPORTED BY DUTCH, AND TACITLY BY FRG, ITALIANS AND BELGIANS ARE FIGHTING
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HARD AND SO FAR SUCCESSFULLY TO KEEP DISCUSSION FOCUSS-

ED ON PRESENT DANISH TEXT. THE GENERAL HOPE IS THAT
THE EC-NINE MINISTERS, MEETING ON MAY 26, WILL PROVIDE
THE NINE A DEGREE OF NEGOTIATING FLEXIBILITY (PARTICUL-
ARLY ON THE TWO KEY NEUTRAL DEMANDS FOR PERIODICITY
AND PREPARATION) TO UNDERCUT IDEA OF REPLACING DANISH
PROPOSAL WITH POTENTIALLY DIVISIVE NEW SWISS TEXT.
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